

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 1, please delete "Protein L and Hybrid Proteins Thereof."

Page 1, line 2, please insert "TECHNICAL FIELD."

Page 1, line 15, please insert "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION."

*ME* Page 5, line 3, please insert a paragraph and insert "SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION."

Page 5, line 21, please insert "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION."

*ME* Page 5, line 26, please delete "(see Claim 1)."

*ME* Page 9, lines 15-16, please delete "Pepto-co-ccus" and insert therefor -- *Peptostreptococcus*--.

Page 9, line 15, please delete "Claim" and insert therefor --Figure--.

Page 9, line 16, please delete "t".

Page 10, line 29, please delete "t".

Page 14, line 8, please insert "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS."

*ME* Page 14, line 8, beginning with "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS," to page 15, line 11, please move this section to page 5, line 21 (immediately prior to "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION."

Page 15, line 10, please delete "Claims 1 and 2 respectively" and insert therefore -- Figure 2 --.

Page 26, line 20, please delete "aNa-cetate" and insert therefor --Na-acetate--.

Page 29, line 27, please delete "t".

*ME* Page 49, line 1, please insert the title before the Abstract of the Disclosure.

In the Claims:

1. (Twice Amended) Protein L having the ability to bind to the light chains of immunoglobulins, characterized in that the protein L has the [following] amino acid sequence of Sequence I.D. No. 1 [(SEQ ID No: 1):